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*Stefan* STEFAN BANDERA; Col. ANDRE MELNYK

With reference to your request of 12 November 1947, the following information is available:

**\*BANDERA, Stefan**

Born 1908 (?); originally OUN chief of propaganda; from 1932 on, assistant chief of OUN; leader of OUN's activities in Poland; sentenced by Warsaw Court (1935) for complicity in PIERACKI murder together with friend Nicholas LEBED; reportedly freed by Germans after 1939; broke with OUN leadership and headed own faction; contacted Abwehr in Cracow, and proclaimed, with Abwehr consent, Ukrainian independence (Lvov, 1941); arrested shortly afterwards because of bloody fights with rival groups; interned in concentration camps until ca. 1943; renewed collaboration with Germans upon release; refused to cooperate with VLASSOV; joined UPA and resumed anti-Soviet struggle for Ukrainian independence; recognized UHNR authority; allegedly initiated ABN (Anti-Bolshevist Bloc of Nations); maintains liaison with Caucasian anti-Soviet minorities; wanted by Russians; friend of Roman (Nikolay?) LEWICKIJ. Lives in village near Innsbruck.

**\*MELNYK, Andre, Col.**

Born 1880; ex-officer of Austro-Hungarian army; served under PETRUSHEVICH and PETLUR (1919-20); military attache of Ukrainian Mission in Prague (1920-21); political prisoner in Prague (ca. 1921-28); co-founder of OUN and OUN; succeeded KONOVALEC as OUN "Providnik" in 1936; headed remains of OUN after defection of BANDERA faction (ca. 1939); arrested by Germans after BANDERA's arrest (1941) and kept in concentration camp Klein Sachsenhausen until ca. 1943; resumed collaboration with Germans upon release, but left major role to Gen. SHANDRUK; last reported near Frankfurt a/M (1945); said to have allied himself with HETMANCI (1945); allegedly favored by HALAN, head of Ukrainian-American Relief Committee.

No information is available on the other persons on this list.

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